

REMARKS

The Office Action dated July 23, 2008 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks, are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

Applicants respectfully request that the amendments to the claims filed on June 26, 2008 be entered and considered. In addition, Applicants note that the Advisory Action dated July 23, 2008 has raised for the first time an objection to the phrase “operable to” and referred to claims which have been amended to incorporate subject matter included in claim 21. Applicants respectfully traverse this objection and submit that none of the pending claims recite the phrase “operable to” as indicated by the Examiner. Withdrawal of this objection is kindly requested.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that all presently pending claims 1-17 and 20-33 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and an allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner determines that the application is not now in condition for allowance, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact, by telephone, the applicants' undersigned representative at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,



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